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1. In March 1954, the Phänomenwerk, of Zittau, Germany (Soviet Zone), delivered 21 cars to the military Volkspolizei. Three of these were so-called command cars equipped with radio apparatus and a power plant. All the radio equipment came from the Funkwerk Radeberg. The generators were made by the J. W. Stalin electrical equipment works in Berlin-Treptow.
2. Two more fire trucks were manufactured for the Soviet Union. They are the first to be provided with foam extinguisher equipment. It appears as if the Soviet Union were only interested in special type vehicles, as these are the only kind of deliveries which have been observed so far.
3. For the first time also, vehicles from the Phänomen works have been sold to China. A transport of six Granit 32 half-track trucks and four 3.5 ton trucks was to have left the plant on 4 Apr 54. The cars were ready for delivery, but were not shipped, to appearances because of disagreement over the shipping route. It seems more likely though that the Schlepperwerk Nordhausen, which was to have made deliveries at the same time, was not able to fill its order on the date set. There is a report, not confirmed, that the deliveries for China are being settled for through deliveries of material from the Soviet Union.
4. Production in the Phänomen works is hampered by shortages of crankshafts and spring steel. The tires delivered recently by the Gummiwerk Riesa have contained good rubber, but the fabrics will not stand up under the least overstrain.

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